

FROM: Det 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron, APO San Francisco 96227

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report

27 Dec 1965

TO: Hq Air Rescue Service, Orlando AFB, Fla 32813

1. Mission Number: 6-1068-21 Dec 65.
2. SAR Alerted by: 3rd TFW Command Post.
3. SAR Aircraft Used: 2 HH-43F

Members of Rescue Helicopter Were:

RCC	Capt Charles P. Haffler	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Capt Raymond L. Menden	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	Tlgt Kenneth L. Perkins	Det 6, 38th ARS
ES	A1C Henry J. O'Beirne	Det 6, 38th ARS

Crew Members of Cover HH-43F Were:

RCC	Capt Earl G. King	Det 6, 38th ARS
CP	Capt Ronald L. Bachman	Det 6, 38th ARS
HM	A1C Alexander Montgomery	Det 6, 38th ARS
ES	SSgt George E. Schipper	Det 6, 38th ARS

4. Reaction time from release to scramble to pickup: 20 minutes.
5. CAP assistance: 2 A-1E's - 2 UH-1B's.
6. Area and type of pickup: Jungle area, 100foot trees, hoist pickup using stakes litter.
7. Ground party used smoke grenades to mark area and ARA - 25 used by the rescue helicopter to home in on CAP aircraft.
8. Survivors name: Unknown USA soldier.
9. Summary of Events: Detachment 6, 38th Air Rescue Squadron was notified by the 3rd TFW Command Post of a badly wounded soldier located at TS 255875, 21 miles Southeast of Bien Hoa Air Base, RVN at 1605, 21 Dec 1965. We were released from a prior commitment to a C-47 accident at 1628 by the 38th Air Rescue Sqdn SAR Center and were airborne at 1630. A flight of two A-1E's, Hobo 01 were orbiting the area and we home in on them with our ARA-25 hoisting adaptor. We arrived at the area at 1647 and were advised that there were about 15 Viet Cong spotted one kilometer to the East of the pickup point. I picked up my UH-1B escort, Sidewinder 21, and brought the HH-43F to a hover over 100 foot trees and was able to descent amongst the trees to a 30 foot hover where the wounded soldier

ORIGINATOR (Typed Name and Grade)

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was hoisted up in the Stokes litter at 1650. We departed the area and landed at the 93rd Field Hospital at 1710, attended the patient, and returned to Bien Hoa Air Base. Total flying time for both HH-43P's was 1:30 with 4 sorties and we were credited with one save.

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Captain, USAF
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4. Reaction time from release to scramble to pickup: 20 minutes.
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6. Area and type of pickup: Jungle area, 100 foot trees; hoist pickup using stokes litter.
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	<u>Name</u>	<u>Aircraft</u>		<u>Name</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Aircraft</u>
38-1167-26 Nov		HH-43B	30NM SW Tan Son Nhut	6 Soldiers	USA	UH1B
38-1174-28 Nov	Maj Higginson	HU-16B	20 NM NE Thanh Hoa	LTJG Harrington	USN	F8E
9-38-1-28 Nov	Capt McFarlane	HH-43F	1403N - 10802E		USAF	F4C
	Capt Hill	HH-43F	5 NM NE Pleiku		USAF	F4C
38-1188-2 Dec	Capt Murden	HH-43F	1139N - 10632E	LTJG Schmikt	USN	F4B
				LTJG Potter	USN	F4B
6-38-1059-7 Dec	Capt Kessler	HH-43F	1054N - 10648E	Capt O'Conner	USAF	01E
7-38-682-13 Dec	Lt Brown	HH-43F	1528N - 10740E	MSgt Forrester	USMC	UH1B
38-1220-15 Dec		HU-16B	2040N - 10724E		USAF	F-105
6-38-1065-19 Dec		HH-43F	1039N - 10711E	1 Soldier	USA	
38-1236-20 Dec	Maj Dewitt	HU-16B	2055N - 10715E	Capt Ruffo	USAF	F-105
38-1239-21 Dec	Capt Butera	HH-3	1752N - 10543E	Capt Sullivan	USAF	F-105
6-38-1068-21 Dec	Capt Nadler	HH-43F	1044N - 10704E	1 Soldier	USA	
7-38-681-29 Dec		HH-43F	1537N - 10815E	1 Pilot	USMC	HE1E
				4 Marines		

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